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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

DONTE MCCLELLON,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 2:22-CR-00073-LK

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO PARTIALLY UNSEAL TRANSCRIPT

This matter comes before the Court on Defendant Donte McClellon's Motion to Partially Unseal Transcript. Dkt. No. 277. The Government has informed Court staff that it does not oppose the motion.

Thomas Weaver was appointed to represent Mr. McClellon on February 8, 2024 after trial concluded in this matter. Dkt. No. 267; *see also* Dkt. No. 252 (Jan. 11, 2024 verdict). On February 9, 2024, Mr. Weaver requested a copy of the trial transcript from the court reporter. Dkt. No. 277 at 1; *see also* Dkt. No. 268. The court reporter provided the transcript but redacted the portions that covered several closed hearings during the trial. Dkt. No. 277 at 1. Mr. Weaver states that he "needs access to both the open and closed proceedings in order to properly represent Mr.

McClellon," and he therefore requests an order authorizing the court reporter to provide him unredacted copies of the trial transcript. *Id.* at 1–2. Having considered the motion and the remainder of the record, the Court GRANTS the motion. Dkt. No. 277. The court reporter may provide complete, unredacted copies of the trial transcript to Mr. Weaver. The transcript reflecting the closed portions of the trial shall otherwise remain sealed. Dated this 19th day of April, 2024. Lauren Vin Lauren King United States District Judge